

REMARKS

In response to Applicants' response filed February 25, 2009, the Patent Office Action issued an Advisory Action mailed March 13, 2009 which states "To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114."

After filing of Applicants' response on February 25, 2009, Applicants filed an Appeal Brief on March 2, 2009 in support of a notice of appeal filed on December 31, 2008. The filing of the Appeal Brief on February 25, 2009 avoids abandonment of the application, as stated above for option (2). Therefore, Applicants believe that an additional response is not needed to be filed and that the instant application is not in jeopardy of being abandoned while the appeal is being pursued. Applicants request the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-0500 if the status of the instant application is contrary to Applicants' understanding.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles W. Griggers", is written over a horizontal line.

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